

U.S. Department of the Interior
Bureau of Land Management
_____ Field Office

_____, CO 8 ____

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

NUMBER: CO-____-2004-00__ EA

CASEFILE/PROJECT NUMBER (optional):

PROJECT NAME:

PLANNING UNIT (optional):

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

APPLICANT:

ISSUES AND CONCERNS (optional):

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED ACTION AND ALTERNATIVES

Background/Introduction (optional):

Proposed Action:

No Action Alternative:

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED BUT NOT CARRIED FORWARD:

NEED FOR THE ACTION:

PLAN CONFORMANCE REVIEW: The Proposed Action is subject to and has been reviewed for conformance with the following plan (43 CFR 1610.5, BLM 1617.3):

Name of Plan: _____ Resource Management Plan

Date Approved:

Decision Number/Page:

Decision Language:

Standards for Public Land Health: In January 1997, Colorado Bureau of Land Management (BLM) approved the Standards for Public Land Health. These standards cover upland soils, riparian systems, plant and animal communities, threatened and endangered species, and water quality. Standards describe conditions needed to sustain public land health and relate to all uses of the public lands. Because a standard exists for these five categories, a finding must be made for each of them in an environmental analysis. These findings are located in specific elements listed below:

AFFECTED ENVIRONMENT / ENVIRONMENTAL CONSEQUENCES / MITIGATION MEASURES:

CRITICAL ELEMENTS

AIR QUALITY

Affected Environment:

Environmental Consequences/Mitigation:

AREAS OF CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERN

Affected Environment:

Environmental Consequences/Mitigation:

CULTURAL RESOURCES

Affected Environment:

Environmental Consequences/Mitigation:

ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

Affected Environment:

Environmental Consequences/Mitigation:

FARMLANDS, PRIME AND UNIQUE

Affected Environment:

Environmental Consequences/Mitigation:

FLOODPLAINS

Affected Environment:

Environmental Consequences/Mitigation:

INVASIVE, NON-NATIVE SPECIES

Affected Environment:

Environmental Consequences/Mitigation:

MIGRATORY BIRDS

Affected Environment:

Environmental Consequences/Mitigation:

NATIVE AMERICAN RELIGIOUS CONCERNS

Affected Environment:

Environmental Consequences/Mitigation:

THREATENED, ENDANGERED, AND SENSITIVE SPECIES (includes a finding on Standard 4)

Affected Environment:

Environmental Consequences/Mitigation:

Finding on the Public Land Health Standard for Threatened & Endangered species:

WASTES, HAZARDOUS OR SOLID

Affected Environment:

Environmental Consequences/Mitigation:

WATER QUALITY, SURFACE AND GROUND (includes a finding on Standard 5)

Affected Environment:

Environmental Consequences/Mitigation:

Finding on the Public Land Health Standard for water quality:

WETLANDS & RIPARIAN ZONES (includes a finding on Standard 2)

Affected Environment:

Environmental Consequences/Mitigation:

Finding on the Public Land Health Standard for riparian systems:

WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS

Affected Environment:

Environmental Consequences/Mitigation:

WILDERNESS

Affected Environment:

Environmental Consequences/Mitigation:

NON-CRITICAL ELEMENTS

The following elements **must** be addressed due to the involvement of Standards for Public Land Health:

SOILS (includes a finding on Standard 1)

Affected Environment:

Environmental Consequences/Mitigation:

Finding on the Public Land Health Standard for upland soils:

VEGETATION (includes a finding on Standard 3)

Affected Environment:

Environmental Consequences/Mitigation:

Finding on the Public Land Health Standard for plant and animal communities (partial, see also Wildlife, Aquatic and Wildlife, Terrestrial):

WILDLIFE, AQUATIC (includes a finding on Standard 3)

Affected Environment:

Environmental Consequences/Mitigation:

Finding on the Public Land Health Standard for plant and animal communities (partial, see also Vegetation and Wildlife, Terrestrial):

WILDLIFE, TERRESTRIAL (includes a finding on Standard 3)

Affected Environment:

Environmental Consequences/Mitigation:

Finding on the Public Land Health Standard for plant and animal communities (partial, see also Vegetation and Wildlife, Aquatic):

OTHER NON-CRITICAL ELEMENTS: For the following elements, those brought forward for analysis will be formatted as shown above.

Non-Critical Element	NA or Not Present	Applicable or Present, No Impact	Applicable & Present and Brought Forward for Analysis
Access			
Cadastral Survey			
Fire			
Forest Management			
Geology and Minerals			
Hydrology/Water Rights			
Law Enforcement			
Paleontology			
Noise			
Range Management			
Realty Authorizations			
Recreation			
Socio-Economics			
Transportation			
Visual Resources			

CUMULATIVE IMPACTS SUMMARY:**PERSONS / AGENCIES CONSULTED:****INTERDISCIPLINARY REVIEW:**

Name	Title	Area of Responsibility
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The environmental assessment and analyzing the environmental effects of the proposed action have been reviewed. The approved mitigation measures result in a Finding of No Significant Impact on the human environment. Therefore, an environmental impact statement is not necessary to further analyze the environmental effects of the proposed action.

RATIONALE:

DECISION RECORD

DECISION: It is my decision to

RATIONALE:

MITIGATION MEASURES:

COMPLIANCE/MONITORING:

NAME OF PREPARER:

NAME OF ENVIRONMENTAL COORDINATOR:

DATE:

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL: _____, Field Manager

DATE SIGNED:

APPENDICES:

ATTACHMENTS: